GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BARSOI-RADHIKAPUR GAUGE CONVERSION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Minister has inaugurated the Barsoi-Radhikapur Gauge conversion project in N.F. Railway at Katihar Division;

(b) whether the Government have fixed the target for completion of rail bridge work by December, 2003, and to start laying the track by January, 2004 as an important priority project to connect the neglected area of North Bengal;

(c) if so, the details therein;

(d) if not, the stage-wise target fixed for completion of siad project; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for expeditiously completion of Barsoi-Radhikapur gauge conversion project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : No, Sir.

(c) : Does not arise.

(d) : The target for conversion of the line has been fixed as April, 2005. Formation works are likelyto be completed by December, 2004, after which track linking will be taken up.

(e) : Works have been planned to complete the same as per target.